COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 2483-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1279

Subject: Courts, Juvenile: Psychologists

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: January 11, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005			
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0			

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **State Courts Administrator** note that the proposal does not contain any provisions for payment for psychological services when the parent or guardian is unable to pay. They do not anticipate a large number of cases where the parent or guardian is unable to pay for services and, therefore, do not anticipate a financial burden on the courts.

Officials of the **Department of Social Services' Division of Youth Services** note that in the last three years only two persons have been committed to the Division for cruelty to animals. The Division already provides counseling or treatment in accordance with court orders. Officials of the **Division of Family Services** indicated that the proposal would not directly affect their agency.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would require courts to order counseling or psychological treatment for children who are cruel to animals and would allow courts to order parents or guardians to pay for the treatment.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space. This legislation would not affect Total State Revenue.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Social Services State Courts Administrator

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